

List of Current Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1 - 9 (Cancelled).

10. (New) A method for operating a field device, which is connected by way of a data bus with a control system, by means of a graphical user interface (GUI) and a device description file for the field device, comprising the step of:

loading the device description file having two components, a data component and a presentation component, together dynamically at run time into a browser.

11. (New) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein:
the data component is an XML-file and the presentation component is an XSL-file.

12. (New) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein:
the run time environment is a Microsoft platform.

13. (New) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein:
the data component contains parameter names, event- and alarm-texts, coded additional information, etc.

14. (New) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein:
the presentation component contains information for visualizing and explaining the process component of concern.

15. (New) The method as claimed in claim 10, further comprising the step of:
providing dynamic, relevant links on the GUI for invoking an online/offline help.

16. (New) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein:
the operation includes start-up, maintenance, simulation, data protection,
problem removal and device documentation.

17. (New) The method as claimed in claim 10, further comprising the step of:
using the Internet Explorer of Microsoft® as the browser.

18. (New) The method as claimed in claim 10, further comprising using the
Netscape Navigator of Netscape as the browser.

Amendments to the Abstract:

Please replace the abstract that appears on page 9 of the specification with the following revised abstract which is submitted on a separate sheet.